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| <b>PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES:</b> | <b>BOARD OF CLINICAL SOCIAL WORK EXAMINERS</b>   |
| <b>MEETING DATE AND TIME:</b>  | <b>Monday, July 20, 2015 at 9:00 a.m.</b>  |
| <b>PLACE:</b>                  | 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware<br><b>Conference Room A</b> , second floor of the Cannon Building |
| <b>MINUTES APPROVED:</b>       | 08/17/2015   |

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Rochelle Mason, Professional Member, **President**, Presiding  
John Mucha, Professional Member, **Vice President**  
Tara Donofrio, Public Member  
Florienda Scott-Cobb, Professional Member  
Lori Malloy, Professional Member

**DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT**

Eileen Kelly, Deputy Attorney General  
Gayle MacAfee, Deputy Director  
David Mangler, Director  
Jessica Williams, Administrative Specialist II

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Sandra Bisgood, Public Member  
Kyla Teed, Public Member **Secretary**

**ALSO PRESENT**

Verity Watson, Division of Research

**CALL TO ORDER**

Ms. Mason called the meeting to order at 9:06 a.m.

Board member introductions took place to benefit the new public member, Tara Donofrio.

**REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The Board reviewed June 15, 2015 minutes for approval. Mr. Mucha moved, seconded by Ms. Malloy, to approve the minutes with corrections. Motion unanimously carried.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Ratification of Applications to Sit for the ASWB Clinical Exam

Ms. Malloy moved, seconded by Ms. Mason, to ratify the application to sit for the ASWB Clinical Exam for LaVante Dorsey. Motion unanimously carried.

Ms. Malloy moved, seconded by Ms. Mason, to ratify the application to sit for the ASWB Clinical Exam for Oluwaseyi Oladundoye. Motion unanimously carried.

Ms. Malloy moved, seconded by Ms. Mason, to ratify the application to sit for the ASWB Clinical Exam for Sheryl Williams. Motion unanimously carried.

Ms. Malloy moved, seconded by Ms. Mason, to ratify the application to sit for the ASWB Clinical Exam for Beatrice Delima. Motion unanimously carried.

Ms. Malloy moved, seconded by Ms. Mason, to ratify the application to sit for the ASWB Clinical Exam for Shea Marriott. Motion unanimously carried.

Ms. Malloy moved, seconded by Ms. Mason, to ratify the application to sit for the ASWB Clinical Exam for Marcy Resnick. Motion unanimously carried.

Ratification of Application for Licensure by Reciprocity

Ms. Malloy moved, seconded by Mr. Mucha, to ratify the application for licensure by reciprocity for Eileen Clark. Motion unanimously carried.

Review of Applications to Sit for ASWB Exam (Full Board Review Needed)

Ms. Mason moved, seconded by Ms. Scott-Cobb, to approve the application to sit for the ASWB Clinical Exam for Judith Grant. Motion unanimously carried.

Ms. Mason moved, seconded by Ms. Scott-Cobb, to approve the application to sit for the ASWB Clinical Exam for Sarah Trotta. Motion unanimously carried.

Mr. Mucha moved, seconded by Ms. Scott-Cobb, to approve the application to sit for the ASWB Clinical Exam for Shannon Baker contingent upon receipt of her response to question 16 of the application. Motion unanimously carried.

Mr. Mucha moved, seconded by Ms. Scott-Cobb, to approve the application to sit for the ASWB Clinical Exam for Bianca Ranger. Motion unanimously carried.

Review of Application for Licensure by Reciprocity (Full Board Review Needed)

Ms. Mason moved, seconded by Ms. Scott-Cobb, to approve the application for licensure by reciprocity for Mary Fennell, contingent upon receipt of the supervisory reference form from Janet Weissman. Motion unanimously carried.

Ms. Malloy moved, seconded by Ms. Scott-Cobb, to approve the application for licensure by reciprocity for Joni Newby. Motion unanimously carried.

Ms. Mason moved, seconded by Ms. Malloy, to approve the application for licensure by reciprocity for Julie Cockley. Motion unanimously carried.

Review and Consider Consent Agreement for Margaret Myers (Case 31-01-15)

The Board reviewed the consent agreement for Margaret Myers. Ms. Malloy moved, seconded by Ms. Mason, to accept the consent agreement for Margaret Myers, and to flag her for the 2017 post-renewal continuing education audit. Motion unanimously carried.

Legislative Update

Ms. Kelly provided the Board with an update regarding House Bill 69, which relates to telepractice. Due to the bill, the Board will need to draft regulations addressing telehealth and telemedicine. The bill goes into effect on January 1, 2016.

Mr. Mangler addressed the Board and provided additional information regarding House Bill 69. According to Mr. Mangler, the whole thrust of the bill was aimed at establishing a consistent, single definition of telepractice and telemedicine. Additionally, it requires insurance companies to pay for telepractice/telemedicine services, as if it were the same as face-to-face. This bill expands the ability to research underserved patients or patients who have difficulty traveling to obtain services.

Mr. Mangler suggested that the Board research other jurisdictions in order to determine what their regulations are regarding telemedicine and telehealth.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Review of Post-Renewal Continuing Education Audits

The Board decided to review the post-renewal continuing education audits once the meeting adjourned.

Discussion Regarding Joint Sunset Committee Recommendations

Ms. Williams advised the Board that approximately 87 stakeholder letters were mailed.

Ms. Watson addressed the Board and advised the members that she would be attending future meetings, to address any questions.

Ms. Mason forwarded a copy of the Joint Sunset Committee's final report to Board members for review. A copy of the Final report is available on the Joint Sunset Committee's website.

Ms. Mason reported that she and Mr. Mangler have been working together in an attempt to reach out to local and surrounding schools of social work, and to invite them to a future board meeting to see what measures they have in place to prepare students for licensure examinations. Bryn Mawr University will be attending the September meeting. Ms. Mason is hopeful that other schools will attend the September meeting as well.

In an attempt to see if there is a pattern of pass/fail rates from various schools, Ms. Williams will provide a report to the Board during their next regularly scheduled meeting, with a list of schools that current applicants have graduated.

Although the pass rates have slowly increased from 2011 through 2014, Ms. Scott-Cobb advised the Board that there might be a plateau or a decrease in pass rates, due to the exam being based off of the DSM V. The NASW Delaware chapter has established test prep courses in order to prepare applicants, and the ASWB offers support as well.

Ms. Mason advised the Board that she recently attended the ASWB New Board Member Training, and the ASWB has an exam committee. The committee creates, reviews, and updates the exam questions. In addition, they monitor the pass/fail rates for each exam type.

Ms. Watson provided the Board with a recording of the Joint Sunset Committee meetings.

Mr. Mucha inquired about making changes to the final Joint Sunset Committee report, Ms. Watson advised Mr. Mucha that the draft report was available online for review, and since the report has been finalized, she is only authorized to make minor, non-substantial changes.

Ms. Mason advised the Board that the Joint Sunset Committee wants an update from the Board in September. She suggested scheduling an August meeting to discuss the recommendations and the update. Ms. Williams will contact the Board members of tentative dates for an August meeting.

Ms. Mangler informed the Board that he believes that the Legislative Committee will need to meet in order to establish and address concerns. Ms. Kelly suggested that the Board pin down open issues prior to establishing a Legislative Committee.

The Board discussed the possible incentives for establishing multilevel licensure. Such incentives are experience, allow for various opportunities, and assists in preparing for the examination. If the standards of practice and accountability are increased over time, individuals will realize that without licensure they will not be able to secure employment without licensure.

The Board asked Mr. Mangler for suggestions on how to increase the public's participation during Board meetings. Mr. Mangler suggested that the Board suggest to the local and surrounding schools of social work provide feedback and information regarding the Board to their students.

Ms. Scott-Cobb suggested that she would love to see a newspaper article regarding the social services in Delaware; and how the recipients feel about the services they receive.

Ms. Kelly advised the Board that she is concerned that within the next few months a bill will be sent before the legislature. It is imperative that the Board address the key points and address the grandfathering/exemption piece of the bill. Ms. Kelly will need to draft the key points for discussion, prior to the stakeholder's meeting.

#### Review and Discuss Previously Proposed Grandfathering and Exemption Revisions

This item will be discussed during the August meeting.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

#### ASWB Amendments and Resolutions

The Board reviewed the correspondence from the ASWB soliciting feedback regarding the amendments and resolutions. The Board took no action.

### **OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD (FOR DISCUSSION ONLY)**

Ms. Mason provided the Board with feedback regarding the New Board Member Training offered by the ASWB. She reported that the ASWB has a path to licensure database, and Guam has multi-level licensure. She suggested that the Board potentially create an opening statement that would be read at the beginning of every meeting. Ms. Mason will prepare a proposed opening statement for the Board to consider during their next regularly scheduled meeting.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

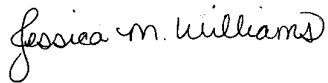
**NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on August 17, 2015 at 9:30 a.m. in Conference Room A.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Ms. Mason moved, seconded by Ms. Malloy, to adjourn the meeting. Motion unanimously carried. There being no further business before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 11:44 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jessica M. Williams".

Jessica M. Williams, Administrative Specialist II  
Delaware Board of Clinical Social Work Examiners